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NEXT SPC MEETING:

Wednesday, April 22, 1998 9:00 am Thomas Edison State College Large Conference Room 101 West State Street, Trenton, NJ

A number of counties are holding follow-up cross-acceptance meetings. Call your local county planning office, or our toll-free number (1-800-522-0129) to find the meeting near you.

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Regional Meetings Planned

The Office of State Planning will be conducting a series of regional public information sessions between the comparison and negotiation phases. The meetings will begin in late April and continue into early May. These meetings will serve two purposes in the Cross-Acceptance process. The first is to provide a forum for regional issues. The second is to provide the public with another opportunity to make their comments heard on the Preliminary SDRP and the county cross-acceptance reports. Other interested parties are strongly urged to participate and comment at these meetings. If you are not able to attend you can, as always, send comments by mail to the Office of State Planning.

All meetings will follow the same format. The 1st half hour will be an informal information session. OSP and county staff will be available to answer questions, SDRP information and county draft or final reports will be available. The 2nd half hour will be a short introduction by OSP outlining changes in the Preliminary Plan and a review of the remaining cross-acceptance schedule. Each county will then take a few minutes to go over individual cross-acceptance status and any major or regional issues that have emerged from the process. The last hour will be open for public comments or questions.

These meetings will be widely publicized through mailing lists, county outlets, newspapers, newsletters and on web pages. Every effort has been made to have the meeting in a centralized location in the region. Please feel free to attend any and all sessions.

North West (Sussex, Warren, Morris, Hunterdon, Somerset) meeting will be held in Warren County on April 28th, from 6:00 to 8:00 at the Mansfield Municipal Building.

North East (Passaic, Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Union, Middlesex) There will be two meetings in the North East. The first will be on April 20th, at 6:00 at the Middlesex County College Technical Services Room 100. The second will be on April 21st, at 600 at the Montclair State University Student Center, 4th floor, room 419.

South West (Mercer, Burlington, Camden, Gloucester, Salem) Public Information

meeting tentatively set for May 7th. More details to follow.

<u>Coastal</u> (Cumberland, Cape May, Atlantic, Ocean, Monmouth) Will also have two regional meetings. The first will be on April 22nd at 7:00 pm. at Cumberland County Community College in Vineland. The second will be on May 5th at 6:00 at the Ocean County Planning Ánnex on 119 Hooper Avenue, Toms River.

Public Hearings on County Cross-Acceptance Reports

The following counties have scheduled dates for pubic hearings on their draft and/or final cross-acceptance reports. The hearings on the final reports will be held during regular Freeholder meetings. All dates should be confirmed with the appropriate county Planning Department.

<u>County</u>	<u>Date of Hearing on Draft Report</u>	<u>Date of Hearing on Final Report</u>
Camdén	April 28	May Ž1
Cape May	March 25	April 8
Essex	February 10	March 25
Gloucester	March 17	May 6
Mercer	February 25	March 11
Middlesex	April 30'	May 7
Morris	none planned	March 25
Salem	April'21	May 20
Somerset	none planned	June 2
Warren	Marc'h 30	April 15/April 22

• Hunterdon County: Has a series of 6 Regional Cross-Acceptance Meetings scheduled for • Hunterdon County: Has a series of 6 Regional Cross-Acceptance Meetings scheduled for the month of March in various locations all starting at 7:00 pm. Region 1 on 3/12. Region 2 on 3/26. Region 3 on 3/23. Region 4 on 3/30. Region 5 on 3/26. Region 6 on 3/19. No meetings scheduled as yet for Report. (early June for Draft, late June for Final). On Tuesday May 5th Hunterdon County is having their Design Workshop for Cross-Acceptance participants. The workshops will be held in 2 sessions with 3 concurrent workshops, one session from 3:00 - 5:30 and the other from 6:30 to 9:00



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